



State of Nevada – Department Of Personnel

CLASS SPECIFICATION

<u>TITLE</u>	<u>GRADE</u>	<u>EEO-4</u>	<u>CODE</u>
PARK RANGER III	34	B	1.910
PARK RANGER II	33	B	1.913
PARK RANGER I	30	B	1.914

SERIES CONCEPT

Park Rangers participate in the operation, law enforcement, resource management, interpretation and maintenance at an assigned State park.

Coordinate and participate in day-to-day park operation and maintenance projects; train, supervise and evaluate the performance of assigned seasonal personnel; clean and maintain park buildings, grounds, offices, restrooms and vehicles; schedule and assign personnel to collect fees, staff visitor centers and conduct tours.

Gather, record and audit information related to visitor use and fees collected; take inventory and submit supply requests; prepare activity reports on areas of responsibility; make reservations and respond to letters and telephone inquiries; operate park weather station, sales outlet and water safety and control devices at the park.

Enforce park rules, regulations and policies; investigate accidents, conduct search and rescue operations, respond to emergency situations, and interact with other law enforcement agencies to preserve the peace and protect park visitors; may enforce State laws and county ordinances, write and make arrests as required by the position and consistent with training.

Implement the resource management plan; identify resource problems; develop solutions and initiate projects for resource preservation and rehabilitation.

Participate in planning, developing and conducting special events and on-going interpretive activities such as tours, hikes, displays, exhibits, talks and visitor centers to inform park visitors of park attractions, flora, fauna, cultural and natural history, and environmental education.

Perform related duties as assigned.

CLASS CONCEPTS

Park Ranger III: Under the general supervision of a Park Supervisor III, incumbents coordinate and oversee the operation and maintenance of a major section of a large and complex park with special features such as historical sites, visitor centers, multiple fee collection points, complex maintenance and resource protection programs, concessions and contracts, sophisticated water and sewer systems, and special use facilities, in addition to performing the full range of duties outlined in the series concept.

Park Ranger II: Under the general supervision of a Park Supervisor, incumbents perform the full range of duties outlined in the series concept. This is the journey level for the series.

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CLASS CONCEPTS (cont'd)

Park Ranger I: Under the direct supervision of a Park Supervisor, incumbents receive training in performing all or part of the duties outlined in the series concept. This is the trainee level for the series.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

SPECIAL NOTES AND REQUIREMENTS:

- * Pursuant to NRS 284.4066, all positions in this series have been identified as affecting public safety. Persons offered employment in this series must first submit to a pre-employment screening test for controlled substances.
- * Candidates may be required to meet current Peace Officer Standards & Training (P.O.S.T.) requirements as established in the Nevada Revised Statutes and Nevada Administrative Code.
- * Candidates may be required to submit to a background check, fingerprinting, and physical agility examination prior to appointment.
- * Candidates must possess and maintain a valid driver's license at the time of appointment and throughout employment.

PARK RANGER III

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE: Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university with a major or minor in park management, recreation management, ecology, forestry, biology or closely related field and two years of journey level park ranger experience in park operations and maintenance; **OR** two years of experience as a Park Ranger II in Nevada State service; **OR** an equivalent combination of education and experience. (*See Special Notes and Requirements*)

ENTRY LEVEL KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES (required at time of application):

Working knowledge of: financial and statistical recordkeeping; safety principles and practices related to the use of assigned equipment. **Ability to:** preserve and enhance the park's natural resources; prepare reports, evaluations, bulletins and memoranda; perform literary research necessary to develop interpretive materials; plan, organize and coordinate available resources to effectively manage an assigned area of the park; *and all knowledge, skills and abilities required at the lower levels.*

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES (typically acquired on the job):

Detailed knowledge of: Nevada Administrative Code and Nevada Revised Statutes applicable to operation of a State park; division policy manuals related to law enforcement, fee collection, volunteers and general policies; current State personnel practices and principles used in supervising staff; inventory techniques required to maintain operating supplies. **Ability to:** manage a major area within a large and complex park; assist the Park Supervisor in day-to-day operation and maintenance of the parks.

PARK RANGER II

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE: Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university with a major or minor in park management, recreation management, ecology, forestry, biology or closely related field and one year of professional park ranger experience in park operations and maintenance; **OR** one year experience as a Park Ranger I in Nevada State service; **OR** an equivalent combination of education and experience. (*See Special Notes and Requirements*)

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MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS (cont'd)

PARK RANGER II (cont'd)

ENTRY LEVEL KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES (required at time of application):
General knowledge of: natural and cultural history of the assigned park and surrounding areas; ecological concepts; laws, policies and practices related to park operations; personnel practices and principles used in supervision; inventory techniques required to maintain operating supplies; basic fire suppression techniques as applied to grass, brush and forest areas. **Ability to:** make oral and visual presentations to groups to provide information about State parks; enforce laws and regulations and perform law enforcement duties as required by the assignment; work effectively in situations involving argumentative or combative individuals; render emergency medical assistance including cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) to park visitors as necessary; *and all knowledge, skills and abilities required at the lower level.*

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES (typically acquired on the job):
Working knowledge of: park and resource management practices utilized in Nevada; principles of training and supervision; State budget, accounting and purchasing procedures. **Ability to:** assist the Park Supervisor in the overall operation and maintenance of the park; perform professional park management duties; plan, coordinate and oversee park custodial and minor maintenance projects.

PARK RANGER I

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE: Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university with a major or minor in park management, recreation management, ecology, forestry, biology or closely related field; **OR** an equivalent combination of education and experience which provided professional experience in organizing, overseeing and performing park maintenance, interpretive programming, visitor services, and resource management duties. *(See Special Notes and Requirements)*

ENTRY LEVEL KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES (required at time of application):
General knowledge of: basic principles of park operations and maintenance; basic principles of park and resource management; natural and cultural history; accepted land management practices; interpretation of natural resources and historic areas; operation of standard hand and power tools used in facility maintenance. **Ability to:** participate in the operation and maintenance of an assigned State park; perform custodial and general maintenance duties in park buildings and grounds; provide information and assistance to park visitors; maintain records and prepare reports; participate in planning and providing interpretive programs for park visitors; communicate effectively both orally and in writing.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES (typically acquired on the job):
(These are identical to the Entry Level Knowledge, Skills and Abilities required for Park Ranger II.)

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ESTABLISHED:	7/1/97P 6/4/96PC	7/1/87-12P 10/17/86PC	7/1/87-12P 10/17/86PC
REVISED:		8/6/87-3	8/6/87-3
REVISED:		5/20/88-3	
REVISED:		7/1/89R	7/1/89R
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REVISED:		11/15/91PC	11/15/91PC
REVISED:		7/1/97P	7/1/97P
		6/4/96PC	6/4/96PC
REVISED:	3/29/01UC	3/29/01UC	3/29/01UC
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